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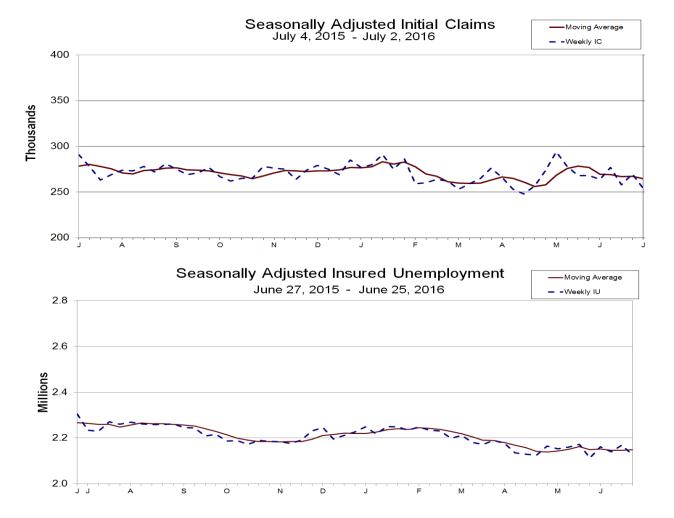
#### UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

In the week ending July 2, the advance figure for seasonally adjusted **initial claims** was 254,000, a decrease of 16,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised up by 2,000 from 268,000 to 270,000. The 4-week moving average was 264,750, a decrease of 2,500 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised up by 500 from 266,750 to 267,250.

There were no special factors impacting this week's initial claims. This marks 70 consecutive weeks of initial claims below 300,000, the longest streak since 1973.

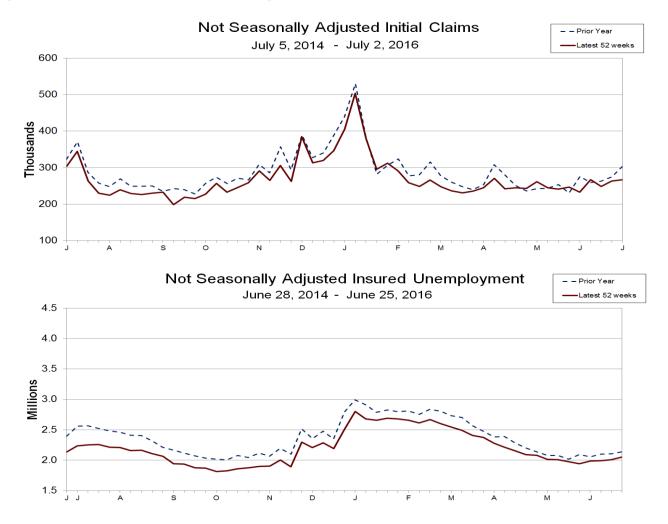
The advance seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment rate** was 1.6 percent for the week ending June 25, unchanged from the previous week's revised rate. The previous week's rate was revised up by 0.1 from 1.5 to 1.6 percent. The advance number for seasonally adjusted **insured unemployment** during the week ending June 25 was 2,124,000, a decrease of 44,000 from the previous week's revised level. The previous week's level was revised up 48,000 from 2,120,000 to 2,168,000. The 4-week moving average was 2,148,250, an increase of 3,000 from the previous week's revised average. The previous week's average was revised up by 11,750 from 2,133,500 to 2,145,250.



### **UNADJUSTED DATA**

The advance number of actual initial claims under state programs, unadjusted, totaled 267,137 in the week ending July 2, an increase of 3,714 (or 1.4 percent) from the previous week. The seasonal factors had expected an increase of 21,074 (or 8.0 percent) from the previous week. There were 303,585 initial claims in the comparable week in 2015.

The advance unadjusted insured unemployment rate was 1.5 percent during the week ending June 25, unchanged from the prior week. The advance unadjusted number for persons claiming UI benefits in state programs totaled 2,051,865, an increase of 41,990 (or 2.1 percent) from the preceding week. The seasonal factors had expected an increase of 84,558 (or 4.2 percent) from the previous week. A year earlier the rate was 1.6 percent and the volume was 2,138,353.



The total number of people claiming benefits in all programs for the week ending June 18 was 2,048,430, an increase of 15,959 from the previous week. There were 2,148,300 persons claiming benefits in all programs in the comparable week in 2015.

No state was triggered "on" the Extended Benefits program during the week ending June 18.

Initial claims for UI benefits filed by former Federal civilian employees totaled 605 in the week ending June 25, a decrease of 102 from the prior week. There were 1,042 initial claims filed by newly discharged veterans, a decrease of 8 from the preceding week.

There were 7,215 former Federal civilian employees claiming UI benefits for the week ending June 18, a decrease of 233 from the previous week. Newly discharged veterans claiming benefits totaled 13,212, an increase of 124 from the prior week.

The highest insured unemployment rates in the week ending June 18 were in Puerto Rico (3.1), Alaska (2.9), Connecticut (2.4), Pennsylvania (2.4), West Virginia (2.4), Wyoming (2.4), New Jersey (2.3), California (2.2), Illinois (2.0), Massachusetts (1.8), New Mexico (1.8), and Nevada (1.8).

The largest increases in initial claims for the week ending June 25 were in New Jersey (+6,715), California (+5,163), Massachusetts (+3,248), Michigan (+2,704), and New York (+1,943), while the largest decreases were in Pennsylvania (-2,671), Wisconsin (-1,595), Florida (-1,107), South Carolina (-852), and Ohio (-660).

### UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DATA FOR REGULAR STATE PROGRAMS

| WEEK ENDING                                  | July 2    | June 25   | Change  | June 18   | Prior<br>Year <sup>1</sup> |
|--|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|----------------------------|
| Initial Claims (SA)                          | 254,000   | 270,000   | -16,000 | 258,000   | 291,000                    |
| Initial Claims (NSA)                         | 267,137   | 263,423   | +3,714  | 248,564   | 303,585                    |
| 4-Wk Moving Average (SA)                     | 264,750   | 267,250   | -2,500  | 266,750   | 278,500                    |
| WEEK ENDING                                  | June 25   | June 18   | Change  | June 11   | Prior<br>Year <sup>1</sup> |
| Insured Unemployment (SA)                    | 2,124,000 | 2,168,000 | -44,000 | 2,139,000 | 2,304,000                  |
| Insured Unemployment (NSA)                   | 2,051,865 | 2,009,875 | +41,990 | 1,994,012 | 2,138,353                  |
| 4-Wk Moving Average (SA)                     | 2,148,250 | 2,145,250 | +3,000  | 2,146,250 | 2,267,250                  |
| Insured Unemployment Rate (SA) <sup>2</sup>  | 1.6%      | 1.6%      | 0.0     | 1.6%      | 1.7%                       |
| Insured Unemployment Rate (NSA) <sup>2</sup> | 1.5%      | 1.5%      | 0.0     | 1.5%      | 1.6%                       |

### INITIAL CLAIMS FILED IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

| WEEK ENDING                     | June 25 | June 18 | Change | Prior Year <sup>1</sup> |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------|--------|-------------------------|
| Federal Employees (UCFE)        | 605     | 707     | -102   | 879                     |
| Newly Discharged Veterans (UCX) | 1,042   | 1,050   | -8     | 1,309                   |

### PERSONS CLAIMING UI BENEFITS IN ALL PROGRAMS (UNADJUSTED)

| WEEK ENDING                            | June 18   | June 11   | Change  | Prior Year <sup>1</sup> |
|--|-----------|-----------|---------|-------------------------|
| Regular State                          | 2,004,561 | 1,989,119 | +15,442 | 2,102,290               |
| Federal Employees                      | 7,215     | 7,448     | -233    | 9,732                   |
| Newly Discharged Veterans              | 13,212    | 13,088    | +124    | 17,826                  |
| Extended Benefits <sup>3</sup>         | 0         | 1         | -1      | 0                       |
| State Additional Benefits <sup>4</sup> | 6,605     | 7,112     | -507    | 6,145                   |
| STC / Workshare <sup>5</sup>           | 16,837    | 15,703    | +1,134  | 12,307                  |
| TOTAL                                  | 2,048,430 | 2,032,471 | +15,959 | 2,148,300               |

### **FOOTNOTES**

SA - Seasonally Adjusted Data, NSA - Not Seasonally Adjusted Data

- 1. Prior year is comparable to most recent data.
- 2. Most recent week used covered employment of 136,969,042 as denominator.
- 3. Information on the EB program can be found here: EB Program information
- 4. Some states maintain additional benefit programs for those claimants who exhaust regular, extended and emergency benefits. Information on states that participate, and the extent of benefits paid, can be found starting on page 4-5 of this link: <a href="Extensions and Special Programs">Extensions and Special Programs</a>
  <a href="PDF">PDF</a>
- 5. Information on STC/Worksharing can be found starting on page 4-9 of the following link: Extensions and Special Programs PDF

# Advance State Claims - Not Seasonally Adjusted

|                      | Initial Clair | ms Filed During Week | Ended July 2 | Insured Unemple | yment For Week Ended J | une 25      |
|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------|
| STATE                | Advance       | Prior Wk             | Change       | Advance         | Prior Wk               | Change      |
| Alabama              | 2,874         | 2,806                | 68           | 21,752          | 22,617                 | -865        |
| Alaska               | 989           | 862                  | 127          | 9,043           | 9,280                  | -237        |
| Arizona              | 5,165         | 4,663                | 502          | 31,595          | 34,531                 | -2,936      |
| Arkansas             | 1,865         | 1,848                | 17           | 16,943          | 18,568                 | -1,625      |
| California           | 46,024        | 49,734               | -3,710       | 357,945         | 342,724                | 15,221      |
| Colorado             | 2,353         | 2,087                | 266          | 27,729          | 27,804                 | -75         |
| Connecticut          | 5,185         | 6,879                | -1,694       | 63,709          | 39,351                 | 24,358      |
| Delaware             | 559           | 729                  | -170         | 6,764           | 6,345                  | 419         |
| District of Columbia | 763           | 619                  | 144          | 7,835           | 7,667                  | 168         |
| Florida              | 8,646         | 9,048                | -402         | 48,327          | 52,223                 | -3,896      |
| Georgia              | 5,467         | 6,471                | -1,004       | 29,549          | 31,957                 | -2,408      |
| **Hawaii             | 1,164         | 1,126                | 38           | 6,891           | 7,128                  | -237        |
| Idaho                | 903           | 949                  | -46          | 5,822           | 6,462                  | -640        |
| Illinois             |               | 9,107                |              |                 |                        | -040<br>591 |
|                      | 10,623        |                      | 1,516        | 113,477         | 112,886                |             |
| Indiana              | 3,119         | 2,847                | 272          | 22,227          | 21,988                 | 239         |
| Iowa                 | 2,723         | 2,169                | 554          | 19,065          | 18,118                 | 947         |
| *Kansas              | 2,371         | 2,328                | 43           | 14,168          | 13,133                 | 1,035       |
| Kentucky             | 7,973         | 2,564                | 5,409        | 21,378          | 22,098                 | -720        |
| Louisiana            | 2,495         | 2,966                | -471         | 27,326          | 26,939                 | 387         |
| Maine                | 715           | 831                  | -116         | 5,161           | 5,338                  | -177        |
| Maryland             | 3,849         | 5,544                | -1,695       | 34,786          | 35,498                 | -712        |
| Massachusetts        | 8,688         | 8,665                | 23           | 62,804          | 60,649                 | 2,155       |
| Michigan             | 7,856         | 8,727                | -871         | 44,183          | 46,157                 | -1,974      |
| Minnesota            | 3,775         | 3,061                | 714          | 34,993          | 32,673                 | 2,320       |
| Mississippi          | 2,062         | 1,806                | 256          | 14,541          | 15,865                 | -1,324      |
| Missouri             | 4,308         | 3,826                | 482          | 23,853          | 25,544                 | -1,691      |
| Montana              | 723           | 787                  | -64          | 5,723           | 6,354                  | -631        |
| **Nebraska           | 1,294         | 753                  | 541          | 4,925           | 4,998                  | -73         |
| Nevada               | 2,914         | 2,509                | 405          | 20,807          | 22,419                 | -1,612      |
| New Hampshire        | 696           | 1,157                | -461         | 4,698           | 4,409                  | 289         |
| New Jersey           | 16,168        | 18,154               | -1,986       | 93,491          | 86,692                 | 6,799       |
| New Mexico           | 1,045         | 1,074                | -29          | 13,405          | 13,798                 | -393        |
| New York             | 20,321        | 15,543               | 4,778        | 144,830         | 140,734                | 4,096       |
| North Carolina       | 4,085         | 3,635                | 450          | 25,986          | 27,262                 | -1,276      |
| North Dakota         | 609           | 444                  | 165          | 6,500           | 4,300                  | 2,200       |
| Ohio                 | 7,593         | 6,070                | 1,523        | 57,487          | 58,766                 | -1,279      |
| Oklahoma             | 1,834         | 1,903                | -69          | 24,157          | 24,639                 | -482        |
| Oregon               | 3,487         | 4,724                | -1,237       | 27,461          | 27,538                 | -77         |
| Pennsylvania         | 17,575        | 18,713               | -1,138       | 138,803         | 132,518                | 6,285       |
| *Puerto Rico         | 1,850         | 1,781                | 69           | 22,101          | 27,860                 | -5,759      |
| Rhode Island         | 1,594         | 2,323                | -729         | 9,456           | 7,864                  | 1,592       |
| South Carolina       | 3,424         | 2,549                | 875          | 16,322          | 16,262                 | 60          |
| South Dakota         | 186           | 220                  | -34          | 1,392           | 1,445                  | -53         |
| Tennessee            | 3,532         | 3,023                | 509          | 21,446          | 24,169                 | -2,723      |
| Texas                | 16,880        | 17,181               | -301         | 196,773         | 191,054                | 5,719       |
| Utah                 | 1,190         | 1,043                | 147          | 9,222           | 9,310                  | -88         |
|                      |               |                      |              |                 |                        |             |
| Vermont              | 721           | 629                  | 92<br>-23    | 4,248           | 4,072                  | 176         |
| Virgin Islands       | 18            | 41                   |              | 638             | 594                    | 44          |
| *Virginia            | 3,245         | 3,452                | -207         | 28,508          | 28,982                 | -474        |
| Washington           | 6,469         | 6,311                | 158          | 44,614          | 42,633                 | 1,981       |
| West Virginia        | 933           | 910                  | 23           | 15,888          | 16,439                 | -551        |
| Wisconsin            | 5,675         | 5,793                | -118         | 34,597          | 34,657                 | -60         |
| *Wyoming             | 562           | 439                  | 123          | 6,521           | 6,564                  | -43         |
| US Total             | 267,137       | 263,423              | 3,714        | 2,051,865       | 2,009,875              | 41,990      |

Note: Advance Claims are not directly comparable to claims reported in prior weeks. Advance claims are reported by the state liable for paying the unemployment compensation, whereas previous weeks reported reflect claimants by state of residence. In addition, claims reported as "workshare equivalent" in the previous week are added to the advance claims as a proxy for the current week's "workshare equivalent" activity.

<sup>\*</sup>Denotes state staff estimate.

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|                                  |            | Change<br>from |                  |              |               |                      |     |
|----------------------------------|------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|----------------------|-----|
|                                  | Initial    | Prior          | 4-Week           | Insured      | from<br>Prior | 4-Week               |     |
| Week Ending                      | Claims     | Week           | Average          | Unemployment | Week          | Average              | IUR |
| June 27, 2015                    | 280        | 8              | 275.00           | 2,304        | 32            | 2,267.25             | 1.7 |
| July 4, 2015                     | 291        | 11             | 278.50           | 2,233        | -71           | 2,263.75             | 1.7 |
| July 11, 2015                    | 278        | -13            | 280.25           | 2,229        | -4            | 2,259.50             | 1.7 |
| July 18, 2015                    | 263        | -15            | 278.00           | 2,270        | 41            | 2,259.00             | 1.7 |
| July 25, 2015                    | 269        | 6              | 275.25           | 2,260        | -10           | 2,248.00             | 1.7 |
| August 1, 2015                   | 274        | 5              | 271.00           | 2,269        | 9             | 2,257.00             | 1.7 |
| August 8, 2015                   | 273        | -1             | 269.75           | 2,261        | -8            | 2,265.00             | 1.7 |
| August 15, 2015                  | 278        | 5              | 273.50           | 2,259        | -2            | 2,262.25             | 1.7 |
| August 22, 2015                  | 272        | -6             | 274.25           | 2,259        | 0             | 2,262.00             | 1.7 |
| August 29, 2015                  | 281        | 9              | 276.00           | 2,261        | 2             | 2,260.00             | 1.7 |
| September 5, 2015                | 275        | -6             | 276.50           | 2,246        | -15           | 2,256.25             | 1.7 |
| September 12, 2015               | 269        | -6             | 274.25           | 2,244        | -2            | 2,252.50             | 1.7 |
| September 19, 2015               | 271        | 2              | 274.00           | 2,208        | -36           | 2,239.75             | 1.6 |
| September 26, 2015               | 277        | 6              | 273.00           | 2,216        | 8             | 2,228.50             | 1.6 |
| October 3, 2015                  | 267        | -10            | 271.00           | 2,186        | -30           | 2,213.50             | 1.6 |
| October 10, 2015                 | 262        | -5             | 269.25           | 2,188        | 2             | 2,199.50             | 1.6 |
| October 17, 2015                 | 265        | 3              | 267.75           | 2,171        | -17           | 2,190.25             | 1.6 |
| October 24, 2015                 | 265        | 0              | 264.75           | 2,190        | 19            | 2,183.75             | 1.6 |
| October 31, 2015                 | 278        | 13             | 267.50           | 2,185        | -5            | 2,183.50             | 1.6 |
| November 7, 2015                 | 276        | -2             | 271.00           | 2,183        | -2            | 2,182.25             | 1.6 |
| November 14, 2015                | 275        | -1             | 273.50           | 2,176        | -7            | 2,183.50             | 1.6 |
| November 21, 2015                | 264        | -11            | 273.25           | 2,191        | 15            | 2,183.75             | 1.6 |
| November 28, 2015                | 274        | 10             | 272.25           | 2,230        | 39            | 2,195.00             | 1.6 |
| December 5, 2015                 | 279        | 5              | 273.00           | 2,245        | 15            | 2,210.50             | 1.7 |
| December 12, 2015                | 275        | -4             | 273.00           | 2,195        | -50           | 2,215.25             | 1.6 |
| December 19, 2015                | 269        | -6             | 274.25           | 2,212        | 17            | 2,220.50             | 1.6 |
| December 26, 2015                | 285        | 16             | 277.00           | 2,226        | 14            | 2,219.50             | 1.6 |
| January 2, 2016                  | 277        | -8             | 276.50           | 2,248        | 22            | 2,220.25             | 1.6 |
| January 9, 2016                  | 280        | 3              | 277.75           | 2,217        | -31           | 2,225.75             | 1.6 |
| January 16, 2016                 | 291        | 11             | 283.25           | 2,250        | 33            | 2,235.25             | 1.7 |
| January 23, 2016                 | 275        | -16            | 280.75           | 2,248        | -2            | 2,240.75             | 1.6 |
| January 30, 2016                 | 286        | 11             | 283.00           | 2,234        | -14           | 2,237.25             | 1.6 |
| February 6, 2016                 | 259        | -27            | 277.75           | 2,249        | 15            | 2,245.25             | 1.7 |
| February 13, 2016                | 260        | 1              | 270.00           | 2,233        | -16           |                      | 1.6 |
| February 20, 2016                | 264        | 4              | 267.25           | 2,231        | -2            | 2,236.75             | 1.6 |
| February 27, 2016                | 262        | -2             | 261.25           | 2,198        | -33           | 2,230.75             | 1.6 |
| -                                |            | -2<br>-9       |                  |              |               |                      |     |
| March 5, 2016<br>March 12, 2016  | 253<br>259 |                | 259.75<br>259.50 | 2,212        | 14<br>-32     | 2,218.50<br>2,205.25 | 1.6 |
|                                  |            | 6              |                  | 2,180        | -32<br>-8     | 2,190.50             | 1.6 |
| March 19, 2016<br>March 26, 2016 | 265<br>276 | 6              | 259.75           | 2,172        |               | 2,188.25             | 1.6 |
|                                  |            | 11             | 263.25           | 2,189        | 17            |                      | 1.6 |
| April 2, 2016                    | 266        | -10            | 266.50           | 2,176        | -13           | 2,179.25             | 1.6 |
| April 9, 2016                    | 253        | -13            | 265.00           | 2,135        | -41           | 2,168.00             | 1.6 |
| April 16, 2016                   | 248        | -5             | 260.75           | 2,129        | -6<br>-       | 2,157.25             | 1.6 |
| April 23, 2016                   | 257        | 9              | 256.00           | 2,124        | -5            | 2,141.00             | 1.6 |
| April 30, 2016                   | 274        | 17             | 258.00           | 2,165        | 41            | 2,138.25             | 1.6 |
| May 7, 2016                      | 294        | 20             | 268.25           | 2,153        | -12           | 2,142.75             | 1.6 |
| May 14, 2016                     | 278        | -16            | 275.75           | 2,160        | 7             | 2,150.50             | 1.6 |
| May 21, 2016                     | 268        | -10            | 278.50           | 2,172        | 12            | 2,162.50             | 1.6 |
| May 28, 2016                     | 268        | 0              | 277.00           | 2,112        | -60<br>50     | 2,149.25             | 1.5 |
| June 4, 2016                     | 264        | -4             | 269.50           | 2,162        | 50            | 2,151.50             | 1.6 |
| June 11, 2016                    | 277        | 13             | 269.25           | 2,139        | -23           | 2,146.25             | 1.6 |
| June 18, 2016                    | 258        | -19            | 266.75           | 2,168        | 29            | 2,145.25             | 1.6 |
| June 25, 2016                    | 270        | 12             | 267.25           | 2,124        | -44           | 2,148.25             | 1.6 |
| July 2, 2016                     | 254        | -16            | 264.75           |              |               |                      |     |

Initial Claims Filed During Week Ended June 25 INITIAL CLAIMS

Insured Unemployment For Week Ended June 18
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT

|                         |        | INITI         | AL CLAIMS     | S           |      |         |            |              |        | INSUI       | RED UNI | EMPLOYMENT                      |
|-------------------------|--------|---------------|---------------|-------------|------|---------|------------|--------------|--------|-------------|---------|---------------------------------|
|                         |        |               | E FROM        |             |      |         |            |              | E FROM |             |         |                                 |
|                         | ~      | LAST          | YEAR          | <u>UCFE</u> |      | ~       | <u>(%)</u> | LAST         | YEAR   | <u>UCFE</u> | 1       | ALL PROGRAMS EXCLUDING RAILROAD |
| STATE                   | STATE  | WEEK          | AGO           | 1           | 1    | STATE   | 2          | WEEK         | AGO    |             | UCX 1   | RETIREMENT                      |
| Alabama                 | 2806   | -226          | -346          | 17          | 14   | 22617   | 1.2        | -215         | -1778  | 70          | 143     | 22830                           |
| Alaska                  | 862    | -82           | 20            | 2           | 2    | 9280    | 2.9        | -1050        | 1028   | 55          | 37      | 9372                            |
| Arizona                 | 4663   | 204           | 263           | 31          | 12   | 34531   | 1.4        | -333         | -1765  | 240         | 141     | 34912                           |
| Arkansas                | 1848   | 7             | -432          | 3           | 6    | 18568   | 1.6        | -20          | -4197  | 65          | 113     | 18746                           |
| California              | 49734  | 5163          | 1507          | 112         | 183  | 342724  | 2.2        | -2063        | -5012  | 1179        | 2633    | 346536                          |
| Colorado                | 2087   | -121          | 30            | 11          | 32   | 27804   | 1.1        | 93           | -1238  | 102         | 565     | 28471                           |
| Connecticut             | 6879   | 1081          | -109          | 7           | 13   | 39351   | 2.4        | 3842         | 1703   | 45          | 110     | 39506                           |
| Delaware                | 729    | -491          | -14           | 2           | 1    | 6345    | 1.5        | 637          | -500   | 13          | 18      | 6376                            |
| District of<br>Columbia | 619    | 171           | -56           | 5           | 0    | 7667    | 1.4        | 150          | -313   | 231         | 9       | 7907                            |
| Florida                 | 9048   | -1107         | -683          | 17          | 70   | 52223   | 0.7        | 2271         | -14066 | 127         | 301     | 52651                           |
| Georgia                 | 6471   | 292           | 515           | 12          | 34   | 31957   | 0.8        | -316         | -7064  | 211         | 454     | 32622                           |
| Hawaii                  | 1126   | -156          | 6             | 4           | 16   | 7128    | 1.2        | -472         | -724   | 53          | 115     | 7296                            |
| Idaho                   | 949    | 26            | -264          | 2           | 7    | 6462    | 1.0        | -59          | -887   | 36          | 40      | 6538                            |
| Illinois                | 9107   | -621          | -2265         | 8           | 22   | 112886  | 2.0        | -320         | 600    | 335         | 408     | 113629                          |
| Indiana                 | 2847   | -184          | -925          | 8           | 10   | 21988   | 0.8        | 129          | -58    | 62          | 100     | 22150                           |
| Iowa                    | 2169   | -198          | 16            | 2           | 3    | 18118   | 1.2        | 53           | -71    | 50          | 59      | 18227                           |
| Kansas                  | 2328   | 327           | 380           | 10          | 10   | 13133   | 1.0        | 52           | -1272  | 63          | 80      | 13276                           |
| Kentucky                | 2564   | -229          | -1044         | 4           | 10   | 22098   | 1.2        | 587          | -106   | 120         | 206     | 22424                           |
| Louisiana               | 2966   | 144           | 259           | 2           | 9    | 26939   | 1.4        | 41           | 641    | 55          | 42      | 27036                           |
| Maine                   | 831    | 99            | -23           | 1           | 7    | 5338    | 0.9        | -103         | -1234  | 30          | 24      | 5392                            |
| Maryland                | 5544   | 755           | 270           | 25          | 19   | 35498   | 1.5        | 929          | -4091  | 242         | 214     | 35954                           |
| •                       |        |               |               |             |      |         |            |              |        |             |         |                                 |
| Massachusetts           | 8665   | 3248          | 531           | 11          | 18   | 60649   | 1.8        | 1278         | -2596  | 147         | 254     | 61050                           |
| Michigan                | 8727   | 2704          | 549           | 10          | 16   | 46157   | 1.1        | -2280        | -3062  | 95          | 202     | 46454                           |
| Minnesota               | 3061   | -278          | -15           | 5           | 7    | 32673   | 1.2        | -316         | -773   | 61          | 121     | 32855                           |
| Mississippi             | 1806   | 61            | -443          | 5           | 8    | 15865   | 1.5        | 34           | -468   | 93          | 50      | 16008                           |
| Missouri                | 3826   | 87            | -1116         | 12          | 9    | 25544   | 1.0        | -348         | -9328  | 90          | 88      | 25722                           |
| Montana                 | 787    | -75           | -5            | 0           | 4    | 6354    | 1.5        | 26           | -11    | 39          | 39      | 6432                            |
| Nebraska                | 753    | 33            | -72           | 2           | 2    | 4998    | 0.5        | 106          | -1669  | 21          | 16      | 5035                            |
| Nevada                  | 2509   | -151          | -436          | 5           | 7    | 22419   | 1.8        | 630          | -4332  | 74          | 111     | 22604                           |
| New Hampshire           | 1157   | 354           | -227          | 1           | 1    | 4409    | 0.7        | 194          | -428   | 1           | 12      | 4422                            |
| New Jersey              | 18154  | 6715          | -582          | 15          | 24   | 86692   | 2.3        | 1543         | -3511  | 193         | 362     | 87247                           |
| New Mexico              | 1074   | -46           | 134           | 7           | 4    | 13798   | 1.8        | 4            | 474    | 120         | 78      | 13996                           |
| New York                | 15543  | 1943          | -1315         | 23          | 39   | 140734  | 1.6        | 1533         | -8422  | 347         | 591     | 141672                          |
| North Carolina          | 3635   | -180          | -695          | 6           | 35   | 27262   | 0.7        | 46           | -8108  | 101         | 324     | 27687                           |
| North Dakota            | 444    | 6             | -198          | 5           | 1    | 4300    | 1.0        | -167         | 706    | 147         | 5       | 4452                            |
| Ohio                    | 6070   | -660          | -594          | 9           | 29   | 58766   | 1.1        | -812         | -695   | 92          | 362     | 59220                           |
| Oklahoma                | 1903   | 164           | 129           | 2           | 9    | 24639   | 1.6        | -7           | 799    | 54          | 137     | 24830                           |
| Oregon                  | 4724   | 766           | 129           | 7           | 10   | 27538   | 1.6        | 1108         | -2745  | 173         | 170     | 27881                           |
| Pennsylvania            | 18713  | -2671         | 384           | 57          | 44   | 132518  | 2.4        | 6661         | -5886  | 452         | 496     | 133466                          |
| Puerto Rico             | 1781   | -301          | -169          | 4           | 3    | 27860   | 3.1        | 245          | -3010  | 79          | 134     | 28073                           |
| Rhode Island            | 2323   | 1084          | 452           | 4           | 1    | 7864    | 1.7        | 153          | -403   | 18          | 24      | 7906                            |
| South Carolina          | 2549   | -852          | -1354         | 6           | 16   | 16262   | 0.9        | -590         | 537    | 51          | 139     | 16452                           |
| South Dakota            | 220    | 2             | -6            | 9           | 2    | 1445    | 0.4        | -44          | -2     | 235         | 7       | 1687                            |
| Tennessee               | 3023   | 268           | -400          | 4           | 1    | 24169   | 0.9        | 2262         | -4469  | 85          | 112     | 24366                           |
| Texas                   | 17181  | -390          | -1310         | 51          | 158  | 191054  | 1.7        | 1410         | 10312  | 444         | 2177    | 193675                          |
| Utah                    | 1043   | -34           | -76           | 23          | 5    | 9310    | 0.7        | -234         | -1008  | 88          | 26      | 9424                            |
| Vermont                 | 629    | -367          | -102          | 1           | 1    | 4072    | 1.4        | 403          | 118    | 17          | 4       | 4093                            |
| Virgin Islands          | 41     | 11            | -4            | 0           | 0    | 594     | 1.6        | 16           | -136   | 6           | 10      | 610                             |
| Virginia                | 3452   | 120           | -123          | 8           | 26   | 28982   | 0.8        | -1480        | -474   | 249         | 451     | 29682                           |
| Washington              | 6311   | 340           | -125          | 23          | 69   | 42633   | 1.4        | -418         | -1548  | 147         | 766     | 43546                           |
| West Virginia           | 910    | -273          | -120          | 0           | 2    | 16439   | 2.4        | -416<br>-555 | 1574   | 41          | 54      | 16534                           |
| Wisconsin               | 5793   | -273<br>-1595 | -296<br>-1064 | 5           | 10   | 34657   | 1.3        | -333<br>2041 | -8625  | 52          | 55      | 34764                           |
|                         |        |               |               |             |      |         | 2.4        |              |        | 52<br>19    |         | 34764<br>6606                   |
| Wyoming                 | 439    | -28           | 92            | 0           | 1    | 6564    |            | -412         | 1391   |             | 23      |                                 |
| Totals                  | 263423 | 14859         | -11223        | 605         | 1042 | 2009875 | 1.3        | 15863        | -96202 | 1213        | 13212   | 2030302                         |

Figures Appearing In columns showing Over-The-Week Changes reflect all revisions in data for prior week submitted by State agencies.

The Unemployment Compensation program for Federal Employees (UCFE) and the Unemployment Compensation for Ex-servicemembers (UCX) exclude claims filed jointly under other programs to avoid duplication.

Rate is not seasonally adjusted. The source of US total covered employment is BLS.

# UNADJUSTED INITIAL CLAIMS FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 25, 2016

## STATES WITH AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

| State | Change | State Supplied Comment  |
|-------|--------|---|
| NJ    | +6,715 | Layoffs in the educational service, transportation and warehousing, accommodation and food service, and public administration industries. |
| CA    | +5,163 | Layoffs in the service industry.  |
| MA    | +3,248 | Layoffs in the educational service, transportation and warehousing, accommodation and food service, and public administration industries. |
| MI    | +2,704 | Layoffs in the manufacturing industry.  |
| NY    | +1,943 | Layoffs in the educational service, transportation and warehousing, and accommodation and food service industries.                        |
| RI    | +1,084 | Layoffs in the educational service industry.  |
| CT    | +1,081 | No comment.   |

## STATES WITH A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 1,000

| <b>State</b><br>PA | <b>Change</b> -2,671 | State Supplied Comment Fewer layoffs in the transportation and warehousing, accommodation and food service, health care  |
|--------------------|----------------------|--|
| WI<br>FL           | -1,595<br>-1,107     | and social assistance, and manufacturing industries.  No comment.  Fewer layoffs in the agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, construction, manufacturing, and service industries. |

### TECHNICAL NOTES

This news release presents the weekly unemployment insurance (UI) claims reported by each state's unemployment insurance program offices. These claims may be used for monitoring workload volume, assessing state program operations and for assessing labor market conditions. States initially report claims directly taken by the state liable for the benefit payments, regardless of where the claimant who filed the claim resided. These are the basis for the advance initial claims and continued claims reported each week. These data come from ETA 538, Advance Weekly Initial and Continued Claims Report. The following week initial claims and continued claims are revised based on a second reporting by states that reflect the claimants by state of residence. These data come from the ETA 539, Weekly Claims and Extended Benefits Trigger Data Report.

#### A. Initial Claims

An initial claim is a claim filed by an unemployed individual after a separation from an employer. The claimant requests a determination of basic eligibility for the UI program. When an initial claim is filed with a state, certain programmatic activities take place and these result in activity counts including the count of initial claims. The count of U.S. initial claims for unemployment insurance is a leading economic indicator because it is an indication of emerging labor market conditions in the country. However, these are weekly administrative data which are difficult to seasonally adjust, making the series subject to some volatility.

### **B.** Continued Weeks Claimed

A person who has already filed an initial claim and who has experienced a week of unemployment then files a continued claim to claim benefits for that week of unemployment. Continued claims are also referred to as insured unemployment. The count of U.S. continued weeks claimed is also a good indicator of labor market conditions. Continued claims reflect the current number of insured unemployed workers filing for UI benefits in the nation. While continued claims are not a leading indicator (they roughly coincide with economic cycles at their peaks and lag at cycle troughs), they provide confirming evidence of the direction of the U.S. economy.

### C. Seasonal Adjustments and Annual Revisions

Over the course of a year, the weekly changes in the levels of initial claims and continued claims undergo regularly occurring fluctuations. These fluctuations may result from seasonal changes in weather, major holidays, the opening and closing of schools, or other similar events. Because these seasonal events follow a more or less regular pattern each year, their influence on the level of a series can be tempered by adjusting for regular seasonal variation. These adjustments make trend and cycle developments easier to spot. At the beginning of each calendar year, the Bureau of Labor Statistics provides the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) with a set of seasonal factors to apply to the unadjusted data during that year. Concurrent with the implementation and release of the new seasonal factors, ETA incorporates revisions to the UI claims historical series caused by updates to the unadjusted data.

# **Weekly Claims Archives Weekly Claims Data**

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